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MCSO Deputies, West Allis Police Make Arrest Following Sunday Road Rage / Gun Brandishing, Short Pursuit / Crash





West Allis, WI – On Sunday afternoon, at 1:12 PM, Milwaukee County Dispatch aired a broadcast of an incident on the freeway, northbound through the Zoo Interchange, in which a 911 caller stated that a subject in a maroon-colored KIA had waved a firearm out of the window of the car before exiting at Watertown Plank Road. Deputies observed the suspect's vehicle; which suddenly made a U-turn and reentered the freeway heading south on I-41 / USH 45. A pursuit followed, with the Kia exiting at Lincoln Avenue and heading eastbound at speeds above 70 MPH; 3 marked MCSO squads participated in the pursuit, before shutting it down near 76th and National Avenues when the KIA had committed multiple high speed redlight violations. The pursuit distance was 1.8 miles.

Subsequently, West Allis Police Officers found a white Toyota Camry with severe frontend and driver's side damage in the entrance to the Market Place Plaza (northeast corner of 70th and National Avenue); and the suspect maroon Kia, which had run over a fire hydrant and crashed into two parked cars. WAPD Officers observed a subject, later identified as Xavier C. Stewart (M/B, 3/4/95 of Milwaukee) run from the crashed KIA, discarding a weapon (a recovered .40 caliber Glock 22 handgun with a fully loaded magazine and one round in the chamber); WAPD Officers took him into custody without incident. A search of the vehicle recovered a small quantity of marijuana.

A female passenger in the KIA, Nashonda A Williams (09/26/1994), was treated at the scene for head injuries suffered when she hit the windshield during the crash. Both subjects, Williams and Stewart, were transported to Froedtert for evaluation.

Also transported to FMLH was the crash victim of the car struck by Stewart, who complained of head, neck, back, chest, knee, and shoulder injuries.

On subsequent investigation the incident stemmed from a road rage incident related to merging into traffic from WB I94 at Hawley Road, during which Stewart is alleged to have displayed the handgun out the driver's side window and pointed it in the air.

He is currently in custody for charges including:

- First Degree Reckless Endangering Safety, a Felony, 941.30(1) (12 years exposure)
- CCW, a misdemeanor, 941.23(2)
- Fleeing / Eluding, a Felony,346.04(3) (3 years exposure)
- Possession of Controlled Substance THC, while armed, a Felony, 961.41(1M)(H)1
- OWI 1st, 346.63(1)(A)
- 2 Counts of OWI causing injury, 346.63(2)(A)1

His criminal history includes: 2015, Take and Drive Vehicle w/o Consent, Milwaukee, Dismissed

All Squad footage is being withheld at this time pending Investigation / Charging

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